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COMMENTS:

RE: Apnl. Serial No. 09/312,073

Dear Ms. Barnes:

Pursuant to a conversation I had with you earlier today, attached is a copy of the Notice of Abandonment, the postcard stamped by the mailroom on 8/9/99 with the first class mail stamp; Communication Filing Signed Declaration and executed Declaration. This should meet all filing requirements. Please contact me at the number listed above if there are any questions or problems with the above file.

Sincerely,

Patricia Driscoll

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Washington, D.C. 20231

APPLICATION NUMBER	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED APPLICANT	ATTY. DOCKET NO./TITLE
09/312,073	03/13/1999	MINORU USUI	448563/163

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NOTICE OF ABANDONMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.53 (f) OR (g)

The above-identified application is abandoned for failure to timely or properly reply to the Notice to File Missing Parts (Notice) mailed on 08/09/1999.

- No reply was received.

A petition to the Commissioner under 37 CFR 1.137 may be filed requesting that the application be revived.

Under 37 CFR 1.137(a), a petition requesting the application be revived on the grounds of UNAVOIDABLE DELAY must be filed promptly after the applicant becomes aware of the abandonment and such petition must be accompanied by: (1) an adequate showing of the cause of unavoidable delay; (2) the required reply to the above-identified Notice; (3) the petition fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(l); and (4) a terminal disclaimer if required by 37 CFR 1.137(c).

Under 37 CFR 1.137(b), a petition requesting the application be revived on the grounds of UNINTENTIONAL DELAY must be filed promptly after applicant becomes aware of the abandonment and such petition must be accompanied by: (1) a statement that the entire delay was unintentional; (2) the required reply to the above-identified Notice; (3) the petition fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(m); and (4) a terminal disclaimer if required by 37 CFR 1.137(c).

Any questions concerning petitions to revive should be directed to "Office of Petitions" at (703) 305-9282.

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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PART I - ATTORNEY/APPLICANT COPY

Docket No.
448563/163
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Minoru Usui et al.
Serial No. : 09/312,073 Art Unit: 2853
Filed : May 13, 1999
For : INK CARTRIDGE FOR INK-JET PRINTING APPARATUS

August 5, 1999

**COMMUNICATION FILING SIGNED COPY OF DECLARATION
IN RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF
APPLICATION FILING DATE GRANTED AND SURCHARGE AUTHORIZATION**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231
Attn: Box Missing Parts

Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application Filing Date Granted, mailed June 9, 1999, a copy of which is annexed hereto, Applicant submits a Declaration executed by Minoru Usui, Satoshi Shinada, Takahiro Naka, Hisashi Miyazawa, Takeo Seino, Hisashi Koike, Takao Kobayashi, Masahiro Kanai, Yasuko Hirano, Yasushi Akatsuka, Takayuki Iijima, Noriaki Okazawa, Hitoshi Matsumoto and Yasuhiro Ogura.

Kindly enter the accompanying executed Declaration, which refers to the Application Serial No. 09/312,073, filed on May 13, 1999, in the application.

Certificate of Mailing (37 C.F.R. 1.8)

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents,
Washington, D.C. 20231, on (Date) August 5, 1999.

Typed or printed name of person signing this certificate:

Patricia Driscoll
Signature: Patricia Driscoll

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the surcharge for filing the Declaration, authorized in the accompanying Fee Transmittal.

Applicant submits that the filing of the executed Declaration and payment of the surcharge which is authorized herein completes the filing requirements in connection with this application. If any issues remain which prevent the enclosed Declaration from being entered, it is requested that the undersigned attorney be notified in an effort to resolve such issues.

Early and favorable action in connection with this application is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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Seiko Epson Ref. No.: F004286US/TPAttorney's Ref. No.:**Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application****特許出願宣言書及び委任状****Japanese Language Declaration****日本語宣言書**

下記の氏名の発明者として、私は以下の通り宣言します。

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

私の住所、私郵箱、国籍は、下記の私の氏名の後に記載された通りです。

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated next to my name.

下記の名称の発明に関して請求範囲に記載され、特許出願している発明内容について、私が最初かつ唯一の発明者（下記の氏名が一つの場合）もしくは最初かつ共同発明者であると（下記の名前が複数の場合）信じています。

I believe I am the original, first and sole Inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

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上記発明の明細書（下記の欄で×印がついていない場合は、本書に添付）は、

the specification of which is attached hereto unless the following box is checked:

1999年5月13日に提出され、米国出願番号または
特許協定条約 国際出願番号を 09/312,073 とし、
(該当する場合) _____ に拒絶されました。

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私は、特許請求範囲を含む上記訂正後の明細書を検討し、内容を理解していることをここに表明します。

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

私は、連邦規則法典第37編第1条5.6項に定義されるとおり、特許資格の有無について重要な情報を開示する義務があることを認めます。

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56.

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私は、米国法典第35編119条(a)-(d)項又は365条(b)項に基づき下記の、米国以外の国の中なくとも1ヶ国を指定している特許協力条約365条(c)項に基づく国際出願、又は外国での特許出願もしくは発明者証の出願についての外國優先権をここに主張するとともに、優先権を主張している、本出願の前に出願された特許または発明者証の外國出願を以下に、枠内をマークすることで、示しています。

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Prior Foreign Application(s)
外国での先行出願

Hei. 10-130630

(Number)

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Japan

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13/May/1998

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Hei. 10-130631

(Number)

(番号)

Japan

(Country)

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13/May/1998

(Day/Month/Year Filed)

(出願年月日)



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Priority Not Claimed
優先権主張なし(Application No.)
(出願番号)(Filing Date)
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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119 (c) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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Prior Foreign Application(s)

外図での先行出願

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Hei. 10-175340 (Number) (番号)	Japan (Country) (国名)	09/June/1998 (Day/Month/Year Filed) (出願年月日)	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Priority Not Claimed
優先権主張なし

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POWER OF ATTORNEY: As a named inventor, I hereby appoint the following attorney(s) and/or agent(s) to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith. (list name and registration number)

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